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Above: The Softball team recently split a double header with Florida Tech guaranteeing them back-to-back seasons with a .500 record or better for the first time since 2003-04. LU Athletic Communications.

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LYNN'S SAAC VOLUNTEERS AT SENIOR PROM

Student Athletes Help Out At Elderly Community Event

By NIKKI COLONNA

Staff Writer



Above: (Left) Lynn athletes hosted the annual senior prom at stratford court of Boca Pointe. (Right) A prom king and queen were chosen at the end of the night. Staff photo/ N. Colonna.

The Student Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) is always getting involved with sports charity work locally in Boca, and recently they participated in the senior prom held for the elderly at Stratford Court of Boca Pointe, an assisted living facility.

Senior prom this year included numerous throwback songs that everyone in the nursing home could dance to while they were dressed up in party attire. Refreshments and food were served throughout the event.

"One of the key pillars within the athletic department is service, and that is why we put a high priority on our community service," said Conrad Rhein, junior. "This is a fun night where the student athletes get to spend time with the residents, including both dancing and singing. It provides the students a chance to form relationships and spend time with close to 30 residents."

As the night went on, anticipation gradually built as the partygoers waited

to hear the announcement of who had been selected as prom king and queen. The big reveal happened at the end of the night when one of the SAAC members crowned the winners and they celebrated with a final dance.

"You can tell by the reactions [at] the nursing home that our committee brings joy to over 30 seniors, so they can feel young again," said Mara Notkin, junior. "It's a great event to be a part of."

Student athletes involved in SAAC also help weekly at the nursing home for Tuesday night bingo. Everyone participates, making it a fun and competitive evening.

All service projects that Lynn athletes participate in raise money for the Make-A-Wish Foundation, a non-profit organization that fulfills the wishes of children with life-threatening medical conditions. The events are not only fun, hands-on experiences that provide the opportunity to give back to the community, but they also provide a

very rewarding feeling.

"Last year, Lynn SAAC raised enough money to fund a Make-A-Wish for a 13-year-old boy named Kole," said SAAC leader, Krissy Ortiz. "Kole is battling osteosarcoma and with the money we raised we were able to send him and his family on a Mediterranean cruise."

SAAC members continue to help Boca's community on a level that is mutually rewarding. The work they have done and will continue to do in the future is something that Lynn athletics prides itself on.

Turning the Page on What's Next: Lynn Announces 2025 Strategic Plan

The University Plans to Engage, Elevate and Expand its Community Culture

By VICTORIA ALVAREZ
Graduate Support



Above: Lynn recently announced the idea for the Lynn 2025 plan, which aims to improve all aspects of the university experience. LU Photo.

When Lynn first embarked on its Lynn 2020 strategic plan in 2006, the Fighting Knight community could not have predicted what was to come. Fast forward to today and Lynn has not only completed and surpassed expectations for its 2020 vision two years early, but the institution has also continued the ahead-of-schedule pattern and has announced its next steps.

Yesterday, Lynn officially announced its newest strategic plan, Lynn 2025: Design for the future.

Over the years, when working toward the 2020 goals, the university dedicated itself to becoming known as an innovative, international and individualized school. Through achievements such as becoming an Apple Distinguished School, hosting a U.S. presidential debate

and being named Most Innovative College by U.S. News & World of Higher Education, Lynn made it a point to make a mark while achieving its visions.

Through these successes, Lynn was able to build a foundation for a learning environment and community that prepares students for the world around them.

When nearing the end of the 2020 strategic plan, students, faculty, staff, administrators and alumni came together in the 2016-17 academic year to engage in design thinking for Lynn's next steps.

Lynn prides itself on the contributing ideas from those that are part of the Lynn family and due to this, implementing these ideas was vital to creating the 2025 plan.

"We are defiantly optimistic about

the future and we've always been that way. We believe that we have a better future ahead of us, but it's not just going to land in our laps. It's our job to create it," said Kevin Ross, president of Lynn University.

Chief Information Officer, Chris Boniforti, led the meetings and exercises with the Lynn community and modeled the approach after the design thinking process that is taught at Stanford's d.school. The purpose of the approach is to identify a person's unmet needs and priorities while identifying opportunities and creative strategies to solve problems.

The group sessions included discussions of campus engagement and Lynn culture, new academic programs and innovative learning models as well as new facilities and programs to take the university



Above: With the Lynn 2020 plan finishing two years ahead of schedule, expectations are high as the Lynn community anticipates the coming changes. LU Photos.

further than it has ever gone before. The discussions led to the creation and now execution of the 2025 strategic plan and its priorities.

The 2025 plan has three integral parts to achieve its mission. These three parts are focused on the principles of elevation, engagement and expansion.

The first part of the vision is to engage with Lynn's constituents to "further foster a culture of pride, loyalty and support," as the plan's mission states. In order to achieve this goal, Lynn will not only make efforts to personalize the services that are offered to Lynn students, but also enhance event and residential experiences, launch a new brand campaign and better cultivate relationships with donors and alumni.

With all of these goals in mind to reshape and revitalize the community culture, Lynn does not plan to lose sight of its family-like feel. The university will retain its small-college atmosphere with the maximum full-time enrollment of 3,000 students on its main campus.

"Lynn has an enormous opportunity because it is better adapted than any place I could easily imagine to pioneer a new paradigm for education in the United States and around the world," said James W. Guthrie, presidential fellow and professor in the Ross

College of Education. "This is the only place I know where everyone is truly someone."

The second priority of the 2025 plan is to elevate the overall Lynn experience by "building on strong foundations to continually improve and adapt." The university acknowledges that in order to grow, they must identify and cultivate the next generation of academic leaders as well as review and update the core curriculum in the various offered programs.

However, the Lynn experience is not limited to just academic excellence, but campus life as well. Over the next few years, the institution aims to complete the athletics master plans, improve campus facilities through renovations and develop long-term student housing strategies.

Finally, the third and last priority of the new strategic plan focuses on the importance and need for expansion. By expanding their "programs, services opportunities and capabilities" the institution hopes to develop, implement and provide new opportunities for Lynn students and faculty.

These new developments provide pathways for success in the student body through the creation of new academic spaces, the addition of new sports teams and intramural clubs and

the establishment of new fundraising goals.

In order to embrace these three priorities and the overall vision for Lynn, the university hopes to gather together in this push for change while still paying homage to the heritage of the university.

"Lynn's people have been long been pioneers: from the dedicated nuns who broke ground on a new campus in uncharted territory, to the entrepreneurs who believed that a young start-up would someday become a top-ranked university that it is today," said President Ross.

Overall, the 2025 strategic plan to design the future of Lynn is a call for action. In order to successfully reach future goals, President Ross believes that the Fighting Knight community can "draw upon that pioneering spirit to explore new programs, new markets and new approaches that will position Lynn University and its graduates for a prosperous future."

By using design thinking to lead the future successes of the university, Lynn hopes to create an environment that allows students to gain intellectual flexibility and global experience during their time on campus.

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RECOGNIZING THE LYNN 100

Select Graduating Seniors Chosen For Test

By NICOLE SCHRADER
Staff Writer

Recently, select Lynn seniors were chosen to participate in the Lynn 100, a testing process through the Collegiate Learning Assessment (CLA).

Seniors that participated took a 90-minute exam in two parts. The test examined the critical thinking, organization, writing and reasoning of students. The seniors were selected based on grade point average throughout their classes.

The CLA is a nationwide assessment of an institution's contribution to the progress of development among their students. The CLA also allows the school's progress to be used as a marker and compared to other participating institutions.

"I felt that it is a way to recognize students for all their hard work, especially for me because I put in a lot of work these past three years," said Nory Ortega, senior. "Based on my high school AP exams, I felt that I was more prepared than others that had not taken them."

Participating in the Lynn 100 gave the opportunity for the students to enjoy free pizza as well as receive a cord for graduation. The participants will also be recognized during the graduation ceremony for all their hard work and dedication.

"I think it is a great opportunity and felt as if I mattered. I felt it was a great chance to showcase what I have learned," said Spencer Jackson, senior. "Based on my past experiences, I did know most of the questions, so in a way I was prepared."

The overall test and experience is to help improve the learning of students and help the faculty and administration to grow their teaching techniques.



Above: A look at the special graduation cord that students received after taking the CLA exam. Staff photo/ N. Schrader.



Above: Graduation is right around the corner and the Lynn 100 will be honored at the ceremony. LU Photo.

SUCCESS AT FIRST EVER KNIGHT-A-THON

Twelve-Hour Dance Event Raises More Than \$18k For Cancer Research

By DAVID CZARLINSKY
Copy Editor

Recently, Lynn hosted its inaugural Knight-A-Thon to raise money for the Pediatric Oncology Support Team (POST). Students danced from 2 p.m. until 2 a.m. to support the local philanthropy in the DeHoernle Sports and Cultural Center.

With 229 students, faculty and staff in attendance, the university raised \$18,104.05 for POST, Inc. Their original goal was \$15,000 and organizers were proud to say that they surpassed the goal moments before the event started.

With different fundraising efforts throughout the 12-hour period, the community was able to raise more than \$3,000 during the event.

"It was incredible to watch the money keep piling in," said Baylee Howe, co-chair of the fundraising committee. "All of the hard work and late nights paid off for the kids."

From 10-11 p.m., attendees took part in "power hour," where they were challenged to raise \$120 in an hour. By 10:45 p.m. the community had raised more than \$350 in the time period.

Throughout the event, members from the POST community came and spoke to the Lynn community. David Fitting, a 25-year-old cancer survivor told his story and explained why POST is so important to him.

Fitting was diagnosed with glioblastoma 15 years ago and he was told that he only had six

months to live.

"The doctors told my mom to give me anything I wanted because I wouldn't be around much longer. "Cancer is a punch being thrown at you that you can't avoid," said Fitting. "No one asks to be in the fight, you get sucked into it."

Fitting described that throughout his experience, he wants everyone to know that people need to believe in themselves and in the ability to beat cancer.

Another speaker from POST was Barbara Abernathy, president and CEO of the non-profit organization. Abernathy brought the community to tears telling her story.

"This morning, I went from the hospital to my house. I changed, and then I came here," she told the crowd. "David gives me the courage and inspires me to continue to fight every day."

The marathon strived not only to raise money for the cause, but to also raise awareness. Led by the Lynn Leadership Institute, many

organizations on campus took part in the event and accepted the challenge to raise the most money.

The Lynn Leadership Institute came together and fundraised more than \$6,500, coming in first place. Following them was the Division of Student Affairs (\$1,846), Sigma Alpha Epsilon (\$1,815), Kappa Delta Pi (\$677) and Sigma Sigma Sigma (\$491).

"It was incredible to see all of our organizations come together to take part in this event," said Jessica Fitzpatrick, coordinator for student involvement. "Seeing the entire Lynn community come together for one cause was amazing. It brought me back to when I participated in a dance marathon at my alma mater, Rutgers."

Knight-A-Thon was sponsored by Chick-Fil-A, Pizza Hut, Starbucks, Sodexo, The Melting Pot and Moe's, which helped bring the event to life and provided food to participants and families.



Above: The Lynn community donated \$18,405.05 to the Pediatric Oncology Support Team. Staff photo/ D. Czarlinsky.



This Year's Culinary Battle Royale featured dishes that were so delicious that the voting ended in a tie. LU Photo.

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| TENNIS @ National Championships | 5/8 | TBD |
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MEN'S UPCOMING MATCHES

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| TENNIS @ NCAA Regionals | 5/1 | TBD |
| BASEBALL @ Palm Beach Atlantic | 5/4 | 6 p.m. |
| BASEBALL @ Palm Beach Atlantic | 5/5 | 7 p.m. |
| BASEBALL @ Palm Beach Atlantic | 5/6 | 1 p.m. |

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Wellness Wednesdays - Fuel Your Finals
5/2 @ 11:30 a.m. | Student Center Courtyard

Senior Cap Decorating
5/2 @ 11 a.m. | Student Center Lobby

Saudi Night
5/3 @ 4 p.m. | Henke Wing

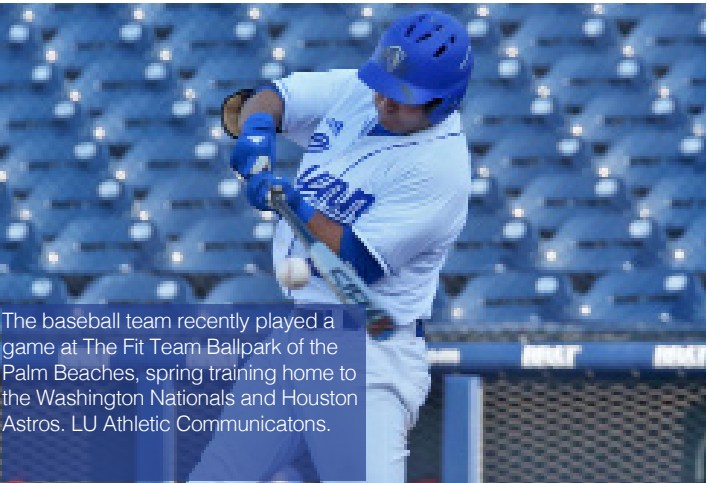
SAB Study Break
5/7 @ 11:30 a.m. | ASSAF Lawn

Senior BBQ
5/10 @ 7 p.m. | Perper Clubhouse

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The baseball team recently played a game at The Fit Team Ballpark of the Palm Beaches, spring training home to the Washington Nationals and Houston Astros. LU Athletic Communicators.

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Rapper Released On Bail After Controversial
Imprisonment



Above: Lynn University celebrated its employees' contributions and service at the annual Employee Recognition Breakfast, May 1. LU Photo.

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SUCCESSFUL SPORTS FROM BEHIND THE SCENES

An Inside Look From The Athletics Communication Program

By NIKKI COLONNA
Staff Writer

Student athletes work hard to perform in their sports, but behind-the-scenes, the Lynn sports media and the communication program work hard to ensure everything is set up and ready to go on game day.

A day in the life behind some of the most crucial components of the Fighting Knights' sports world consists of a constantly changing environment, depending on the nature of what sporting event is happening.

Chad Beattie, assistant director of athletic communications, is the heart of all operations and diligently leads his team to effectively represent Lynn's Division II athletics, making the sports media and communications program run efficiently.

"I find that the more successful the athletic programs are, the more successful the athletic media will be," said Beattie. "With more success comes more coverage on a local, regional or national level, which in turn highlights your athletic media relations office."

Whether there is a meeting to prepare for a sports match, a need to make a commercial, an awards banquet or a website update of scores, news and photos, the athletic communications office is always bouncing around.

The preparation and drive of the media team mirrors that of the student athletes. In fact, many student athletes work in the office of communications behind-the-scenes outside of their own sports seasons to continue to be around the sports programs. Their passion for and interest in sports is their motivation.

"I really like working in sports media. The environment and people I work with



Above: Staffed with a team of dedicated student workers the athletics program helps student further their experience in sports media. Staff Photo.

make it enjoyable," said Mara Notkin, senior soccer player. "[Being a sports management major and] the youngest of three, with two older brothers, sports has been a part of me; I love the atmosphere."

The desire to get involved with communications is not limited to current Lynn student athletes. Former athletes who cannot stay away from their love of sport stay involved in Lynn athletics through the sports media and communications program.

"I got started working with athletics because I was a former athlete but didn't want to give up being in the sports world," said Maria Freitas, senior, lacrosse manager. "I really enjoy working with [the athletes] and understand the life of being an athlete [and what they are invested in]."

Regardless of when one's athletic

career ends, the passion of covering sporting events and being part of the camaraderie lives on in the communications office.

"Getting student athletes involved definitely benefits our athletic media program," Beattie said. "They are highly invested in our success and want to make sure the latest trends are used to promote themselves and the university."

Each of these athletes at Lynn stay competitive while appreciating the work that is done by communications to represent them, their success and their school.

LYNN DISTINGUISHED AS THE 48TH FAIR TRADE UNIVERSITY NATIONWIDE

University Earns Designation Faster Than Any Other Institution

By HADASSA DELHOMME
Editor-in-Chief



Above: Lynn students Megan Selfridge and Gabrielle Monahan were instrumental in getting the university to the new Fair Trade status alongside the Social Impact Lab. LU Photos.

Recently, Lynn was honored as a Fair Trade University, making the university second in the state to do so and 48th nationwide. Two students, Megan Selfridge and Gabrielle Monahan, spearheaded the campaign while being led by the Social Impact Lab.

“If you look at the university’s mission statement, you’ll see we take pride in being innovative, international and individualized. Being a Fair Trade Designated campus goes hand-in-hand with that,” said Megan Selfridge, junior. “We’re the 48th university to achieve this in the nation. We’ve completed this faster than anyone else; if that’s not innovation, I don’t know what is.”

After earning the designation faster than any other university by cutting a two-year process down to

eight weeks, Lynn solidified their commitment to meet a variety of environmental standards. The main focus of these standards includes the conservation of biodiversity and greenhouse gas emissions, limited and safe use of agrochemicals, soil and water management and pest and waste management.

“I’m very excited for this new chapter in Lynn’s history,” said Gabrielle Monahan, senior. “There are many consumers, and people for that matter, who go their whole lives without asking those questions and I’m very proud to be working with a university who is questioning the status quo and who aligns with my beliefs.”

By meeting all of the five essential requirements, passing a Fair Trade Resolution and also making

Fair Trade products available on campus, Lynn continues to deepen their relationship into Fair Trade by working with Sodexo. Sodexo has already been using Fair Trade-sourced products and will also serve Vega Coffee, a Nicaraguan Brand introduced by graduate student Rigo Beltran who worked alongside the company during his ambassador corps internship.

The Fair Trade Campaign focuses on how to protect the environment while using their products to help practice sustainability. Roughly 30 percent of Fair Trade producer organizations have invested a portion of their community premiums in environmental initiatives.

“We have planted trees and reduced the amount of pesticides we use by 80 percent in the last



ten years. We've used the Fair Trade premium to buy environmentally friendly ovens to dry our coffee, which means we no longer need to cut up to 50 acres of forest every year," said Gerardo Arias, camacho coffee farmer and member of the COOCAFE cooperative in Costa Rica.

In addition to learning about the process while completing it, the Social Impact Lab hosted educational events such as "Chocolate and Chill." They also invited Laura Peterson, Ben and Jerry's public relations officer, who explained the company's mission to have sustainable ethics as one of their education requirements throughout the brand.

By becoming a Fair Trade University and being a more environmentally conscious campus, the Lynn community is able to use their consumer rights to help companies who also have the same overall vision to aid in the effort of helping the planet. Lynn plans to use this distinction to practice the Fair Trade mission by ensuring the products consumers buy are grown, harvested, crafted and traded in ways that improve lives and protect the environment.



Above: Although 48th in the nation Lynn was able to earn the designation as a Fair Trade Campus due to the pre-existing environmental awareness of the university. LU Photos.

20 THINGS TO DO THIS SUMMER

Fun Activities For This Summer With Friends And Family

By KELLY MARMO
Copy Editor

With Summer '18 around the corner, it is time to think of ideas and activities that will keep students busy and enjoying time with friends and family all summer long.

Individuals can dive into summer fun by planning a beach day, going on a hike, going to an outdoor concert or even sky diving. For those who are looking to relax, find a new book to read, paint your own pottery, or start some do-it-yourself projects.

"This summer I will be taking summer classes, working and staying active," said Ashley Hayden, junior. "In my free time, I will be painting and drawing because these are some of my passions."

Others can spend time doing community service, working a summer job or exercising daily. Of course, spending time with family is a priority this summer for many. All the while students can take time off to travel or go camping with friends.

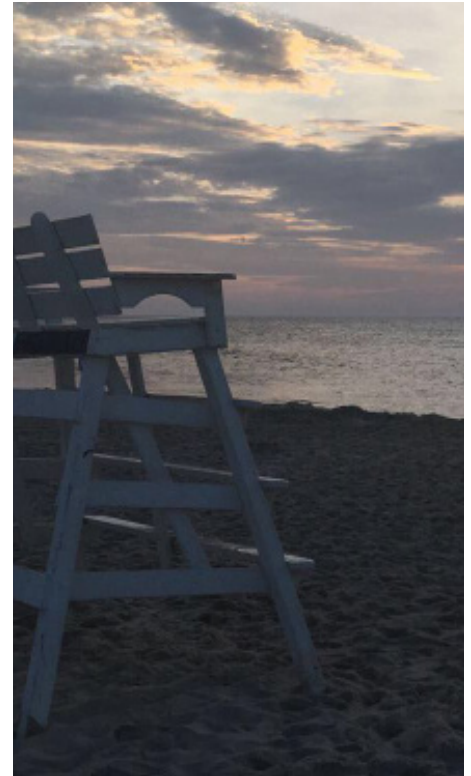
"This summer, I'm going to be by the pool with my family," said Danielle Assini, sophomore. "I always enjoy quality time with them over the summer before I go back to school."

For those looking to do some cooking or baking this summer, they should visit a nearby farmers market. Stop by a carnival, visit a museum, or take a day trip to a city near you.

Others may choose to buy tickets to a sporting event, like a summer baseball game. For those who have a love for the outdoors, spend a day on a boat and learn some water sports.

"Between all of the marlin and tuna fishing I plan to do this summer, I will also be surfing as much as I can," said Michael Dylan McGuckin, sophomore. "The time I have left over is normally spent in the crossfit gym on the attempt to make myself a better person and athlete."

Summer is the time to relax and have some fun, but students should be sure keep a healthy and active lifestyle. Try something you've never done before this summer, returning to Lynn in the fall with a story to share.



Above: Whether taking a local trip to the beach or to a baseball game, there are plenty of indoor and outdoor activities to enjoy this upcoming season. Stock Photos.

MEEK MILL RELEASED ON BAIL

Rapper Freed After High Court Order While Appealing Previous Convictions

By AP Staff
AP Story

Rapper Meek Mill walked out of prison Tuesday after Pennsylvania's highest court ordered him freed while he appeals decade-old gun and drug convictions.

Following a five-month campaign by his supporters to get him out, the state Supreme Court directed a Philadelphia judge who had jailed him to immediately issue an order releasing him on unsecured bail.

Mill was sentenced in November to two to four years in prison for probation violations.

He was taken from the prison by helicopter to Philadelphia, where he rang the ceremonial bell at the start of Game 5 of the Philadelphia 76ers-Miami Heat playoff series.

"Welcome home Meek Mill," said the game announcer to the rapper, who was sitting courtside next to actor Kevin Hart and Sixers co-owner Michael Rubin.

Before the game, Mill visited privately with the Sixers in their locker room.

A team of lawyers and public relations consultants had waged an all-out battle to get him freed, leveling fierce criticism at the judge as a stream of high-powered figures and celebrities visited him in jail outside Philadelphia just hours before the Supreme Court ruling.

Mill issued a statement saying the past months had been "a nightmare," and thanked his many supporters and visitors, who included Rubin, New England Patriots owner Robert Kraft, and Philadelphia Mayor Jim Kenney.

"Although I'm blessed to have the resources to fight this unjust situation, I understand that many people of color across the country don't have that luxury and I plan to use my platform to shine a light on those issues," Mill said.

He said he would now focus his attention on getting his convictions overturned, and that he looks forward to resuming his music career.

Earlier this month, in a major victory for Mill, prosecutors said they agreed with his lawyers that he should get a new trial because of questions raised about the arresting officer. The now-retired officer was among a list of police

officers the prosecutor's office has sought to keep off the witness stand in cases across the city because of credibility questions.

A spokesman for District Attorney Larry Krasner said late Tuesday that the Supreme Court's decision on Meek Mill's release was consistent with the position taken by their office.

Mill's attorney, Joe Tacopina, thanked the high court.

"Meek was unjustly convicted and should not have spent a single day in jail," Tacopina said.

In an opinion earlier this month, Judge Genece Brinkley, who sent Mill to prison for the probation violations, strongly defended herself against accusations by the defense she was waging a vendetta against the rapper. She said the court "has impartially and without



Above: Shortly after being released on bail, rapper Meek Mill rang a Liberty Bell replica before a 76ers first round playoff game. Stock Photo.



Above: The Lynn track team competed in the final meet of its inaugural season on Friday night, taking part in the North Florida Invite hosted by the University of North Florida in Jacksonville. LU Photo.

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Preparatory School Of Music Spring Recital
5/5 @ 11 a.m. | AG Theatre

Admission Fashion Experience
5/5 @ 4 p.m. | Wold Performing Arts Center

Annual Spring Fashion Show
5/5 @ 7:30 p.m. | Wold Performing Arts Center

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Recently, performers from across campus came together for Celebration of the Arts, performing for a sold out audience. LU Photo.

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Above: Last week, the men's golf team was named to the 80-team field for the NCAA Division II Men's Golf Championship in Conover, N.C. from May 7-9. LU Athletic Communications Photo.

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GRADUATING SENIOR TURNS PASSION INTO BUSINESS

Macchiaverna Makes Old Surfboards Become Beautiful Art Pieces

By **SUNNY TURNER**

Staff Writer



Above: Macchiaverna has embraced her love for art via painting surfboards, expressing creativity through her works. Photo/L. Macchiaverna.

From a small beach town in N.J., Lynn senior Lana Macchiaverna has turned her passion for art and surf culture into a thriving business. By expressing her creative talents, Lana has turned old, new and ordinary surfboards into beautiful pieces of art.

Lana began painting boards about four years ago. Since then Macchiaverna has grown her hobby into a business. Not only has she had her own pop-up shop on Sunset Drive during Miami's art Basel, but she is also currently making boards for the restaurant chain, Playa Bowls.

After growing up in a very creative household, Macchiaverna was searching for her own creative niche when she had the idea to paint on an old broken surfboard.

"I don't really know what made me paint on it, but I just did," said Macchiaverna. "I try to create my own style on the boards. I've always wanted to be involved in the

surf industry ever since I was little because my whole family surfs."

Being a digital art and design major, Macchiaverna is no stranger to creating exceptional art work.

While the boards take up to three days to finish, Macchiaverna enjoys starting her creative process with the idea of which colors she wants to use. Upon picking her color combination, she takes a moment before paint even hits the board to think over how will go about her painting.

"I just go with it. I do have a vision in my head which can sometimes make things a little hard, but usually I just go with the flow and it just comes to me," said Macchiaverna.

Macchiaverna will be graduating next Saturday with her bachelor of arts. Upon graduation, she is looking forward to returning home to create more surfboards and work at her uncle's surf shop.



Above: Macchiaverna's boards have hit the business world as well, with local restaurant chain Playa Bowls putting her designs to use. Photo/L. Macchiaverna.

LYNN DINING HOSTS THE “RUMBLE IN RATON”

Third Annual Chef Battle Royale Takes Place In Dining Commons

By KELLY MARMO
Copy Editor



Above: With Sodexo continuously introducing fresh cuisine to the Lynn community in the Elmore Dining Commons, the Chef Battle Royale allowed faculty to engage in these efforts to grow together. LU Photo.

Recently, Lynn Dining hosted the third annual Chef Battle Royale at the Elmore Dining Commons, where Brian Bowser, Sodexo area general manager, and President Kevin Ross teamed up to battle Sodexo executive chefs Greg Bibb and Joe Phillips in a cooking showdown.

“The atmosphere was loud and fun, but the food was amazing. My favorite was the brisket, seafood mac and cheese and the nitrogen ice cream,” said Jennifer Prendergast, senior. “It was great that the Dining Commons put on an event to bring students and the staff together.”

Students judged this competition by putting their votes into two boxes in the boxing ring near the stage in the Dining Commons. After tallying the votes, Bibb and Phillips were named the winners of this year’s

Chef Battle Royale.

“I look forward to this event every year on campus,” said Sarah Nichols, sophomore. “Seeing President Ross in on the action is cool because it shows how Lynn faculty stays involved in campus activities.”

This event had a boxing theme full of red, white, and blue throughout the Dining Commons. The boxing theme was carried out through each station and a DJ performed throughout the occasion.

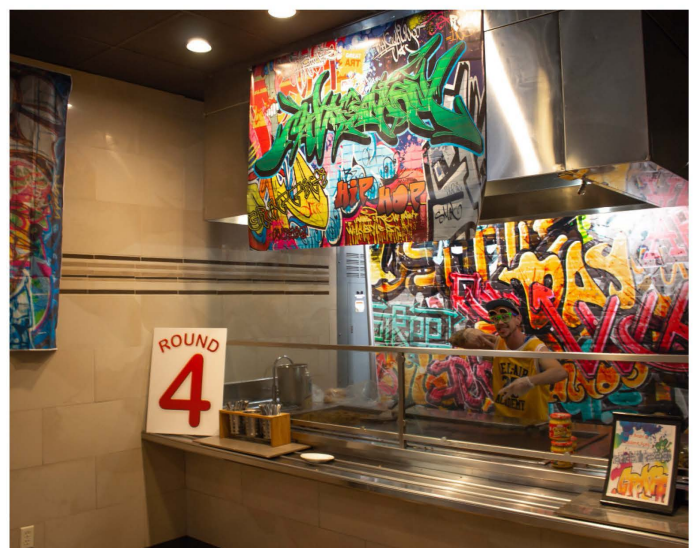
“They did an awesome job decorating the café,” said Adriana Galarraga, sophomore. “I really liked the details they put into the decorations, especially the quotes of famous boxers.”

Each station in the Dining Commons was marked by each round of a boxing match, featuring

an ice cream station and sushi bar. These different areas represented both teams, offering all of the items each chose to serve.

“There was a great selection of food,” said Connor Davis, sophomore. “I was really excited to see that there was an unlimited sushi bar.”

For those who missed out on this event, individuals can follow @LynnDining on Twitter to see what else they have cooking or check out other upcoming events on myLynn.



Above: President Ross and chef Bibb went head-to-head in the annual cooking competition, offering multiple cuisines across the Elmore Dining Commons' stations. Staff Photos/C. Guiterrez.

WARNING: GATOR CROSSING

Unwanted Guests Spark Golf Safety Concerns

By KAITLIN ARMSTRONG
Staff Writer

While Florida is known for its golf courses, recent incidents show that playing on them poses a far greater hazard than ever seen before on the greens.

With the diverse wildlife throughout the state, alligators have become a common occurrence on golf courses. In fact, these reptiles have made their presence known so often that many players who hit their ball in the water choose to leave it in case a gator is waiting down below.

“Regardless of the circumstances, I have seen that many golfers refuse to go near the water, fearing that alligators or snakes could be underneath the surface,” said Zenas Jones, alumnus. “This, of course, makes golf an exciting sport, providing the fear of running into dinosaur-sized alligators on the course.”

Gators of all sizes have made these courses their homes. In fact, some of these gargantuan animals have played key roles in viral videos as of late, interrupting golfers attempting to enjoy their matches.

“I like my life. I like it with all [of] my limbs. So, I stay away from [gators],” said Talor Gooch, PGA Tour golfer, to the Golf Channel after his run-in with an alligator at the recent Zurich Classic.

Locally, these reptiles have been spotted at multiple golf locales including Buffalo Creek Golf Course in the Parrish and Palmetto area. At Buffalo

Creek, a gator, nicknamed Chubbs, strolled across the eighth hole with a group of vultures following him. The video was posted to Facebook and has gotten high levels of attention.

“Chubbs is a deceptively cute name; the size of the gator is so massive and unusual,” said Megan Selfridge, junior. “I feel like this is such an unusual sighting at a golf course. This just shows golfers definitely need to be careful and fully aware of their surroundings while playing in Florida.”

While some may view golf to be less exciting than most other sports, the unwanted cold-blooded spectators have truly brought keener eyes to the fairways. Now, it is just a challenge to balance safety and sport moving forward.



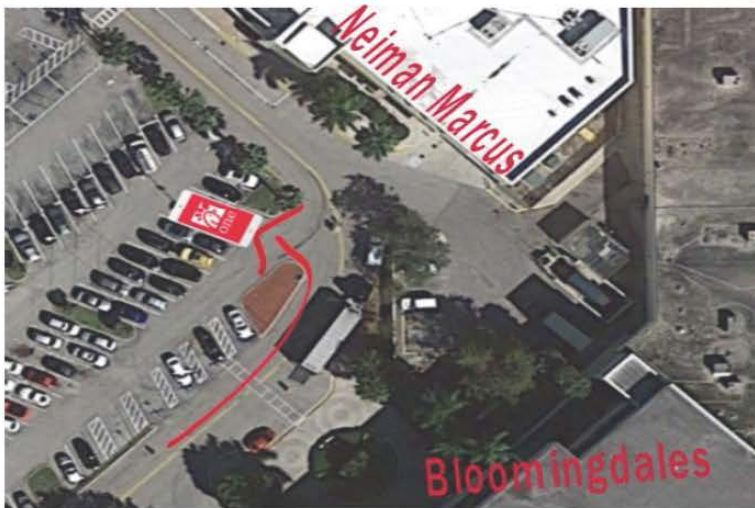
Above: PGA Tour golfers like Talor Gooch have been on the forefront of warning the golfing community of the dangers of these reptilian spectators. Stock Photos.

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In his first season with the Fighting Knights' lacrosse team, Xander Cosenza was named to the All-SSC Freshman Team alongside fellow rookie Keegan Maxwell. LU Athletic Communications Photo.

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Above: Lynn surpassed donation goals at the 26th anniversary of its Frank A. Robino, Jr. Golf Classic on April 23. LU Athletic Communications Photo.

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CAMPUS TECHNOLOGY

Using The iPad Initiative To Better The Student Experience

By LIAM MULLER
Staff Writer

The iPad initiative has proven to be one of the most innovative advances around campus.

To create an environment that is moving away from the typical pen and paper, iPads have served as the hub for all courses at Lynn. These devices have not only altered the student experience in the classroom, but faculty have also grown with this technology.

"All faculty were given iPad training by Apple support technicians when we began the initiative," said Chris Boniforti, chief information officer. "Due to this training, they are certainly familiar with the ins and outs of using iPads in the classroom."

At Lynn, all students are given an iPad Pro to use for their studies, and the device is then given back to the school

upon graduation unless the individual pays a fee to maintain their device. With these tablets at the hands of every student around campus, the learning experience has improved.

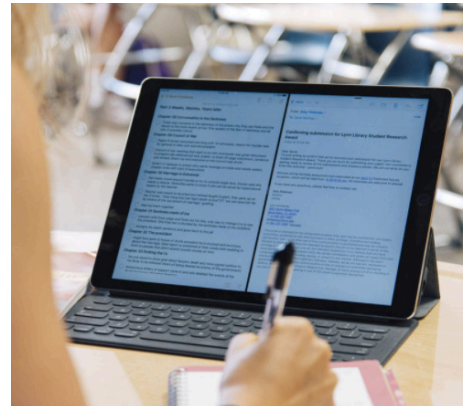
"In 2011, we gave half of our faculty iPads to see if they made a difference," said Gregg Cox, vice president of academic affairs. "There was a marked improvement. As a result, in December 2012, we gave all of our faculty iPads and it grew from there."

Lynn is one of the few schools that provides all students with a chance to adapt to modern advances during their undergraduate careers.

"The iPad has helped me complete and organize my work," said Greg Fisher, freshman. "Due to programs like Microsoft Word and PowerPoint, my post-secondary education has been easier and faster."

Having met the expectations of Lynn

2020 well ahead of schedule, the adapting technology has been one of the focal points to growing as a university. Due to the consistent efforts of Cox and Boniforti, students continue to receive opportunities to be on the forefront of innovation while in school.



Above: Lynn's technology based learning. LU Photo.

RAISING THE BARR

Assistant Professor Discusses Advances In Sports Management Program

By ETHAN POND
Staff Writer

Lynn 2020, the strategic plan for the university's innovative growth, was all about forward motion, leadership and modernizing around campus.

These same characteristics have been the foundation for the sports management program, spearheaded by Associate Professor Charles Barr and his fellow faculty within the College of Business and Management. By providing students the opportunity to learn from their current leaders, Barr has been one of many to embrace the approach to the future of Lynn in his courses.

"As we look at the evolution of our sports management graduates, our goal is to continue to move toward developing student competencies," said Barr. "Our focus has been on graduating students who can make an immediate impact in

their place of employment."

With the utmost faith in the sports management program, Barr has stood by the idea that today's students are the change that is needed in the world. As a reflection of the Lynn 2020 mission, he identifies these individuals as better prepared to adapt more quickly to situations, particularly due to the technological society around them.

The advancements in buildings, structures and ballparks are of major importance to Lynn's sports management program. With infrastructure serving a crucial role in the university's development, the progressive vision put forth by leadership has enabled fresh ideas to enter Barr's teaching style, like eSports.

"As we advance at Lynn, so does the eSports industry. Not only is this a major area for growth, but it is quickly becoming

a favorite for spectators both in-person and online," said Barr.

While many things have changed in the sports industry in recent years, the Lynn 2020 strategy has allowed the campus to share in the consistent growth. By developing hardworking students who have high competency with technology, the industry can expect to see waves of successful Lynn graduates in the coming decade.



Above: Barr and students at the 2012 World Series. Staff Photo/E. Pond.

PRESIDENT ROSS TALKS STRATEGY

In The Wake Of Completing The 2020 Plan: The Next Agenda Is Set

By **ROB MAREK**
Staff Writer

Having completed the Lynn 2020 strategic plan two years ahead of schedule, President Ross and the other cabinet members have both celebrated their successes and looked to the future via Lynn 2025.

Commissioned in 2005 by George Keller, an educational planner, Lynn's 2020 plan left a long-lasting impact on campus. However the 2025 plan has been a collective effort by the institution.

Moreover, Ross and others have acknowledged that the most recent strategic plan brought the community together. Through constant collaboration, the many departments around campus created a vision for the future of Lynn.

"We were thrilled to release our next strategic plan on May 1, focusing on engaging, expanding and elevating the university as an innovator in higher education," said Ross.

Using the prior strategic agenda as a guideline, Ross and his associates have identified numerous measures that will be needed to ensure success in the recently announced plan.

"For our next strategic plan, we used a design thinking lens to shape our course," said Ross. "This approach allowed us to engage across our campus community and develop creative strategies to further improve our university. Hundreds of members of our campus community contributed their unique perspectives through interactive design thinking sessions."

Lynn 2025 was internally launched

on May 1, paving the path for the next vision of Lynn's campus and higher education in general.

Students and faculty look forward to continued collaborations both around campus and inside the classroom.



Above: Design thinking sessions were used to pave way for the next steps of Lynn. The upcoming student center is one of the many advances for the university. Staff Photo/M. Forster and Lynn Marketing.

PROFESSOR BUILDS EDUCATIONAL EMPIRE

Future Of Fashion Department Has High Hopes

By CAITLYN KELLY
Staff Writer

At the helm of Lynn's fashion and retail program stands the dedicated, accomplished Professor Lisa Dandeo and her fashion students.

While the fashion program has been the teaching hub for Dandeo for over a decade, it has not always been as distinguished as it is now. Dandeo has cultivated the mindset to continue to grow the program for the better.

"This year I am celebrating my sixteenth year at Lynn, I started as an assistant professor in the fall of 2003 and have since then made the school my home," said Dandeo. "When I first started at Lynn, the fashion program was very disjointed and not personalized. Not only based on the students enrolled in the program, but it did not offer classes that would be industry appropriate for a student whom graduated and was looking to pursue an entry level position in the industry."

Dandeo has worked with senior associate dean of the College of Business and Management Ralph Norcio to compose five classes offered to fashion students. These courses include an introductory course, followed by retail buying and management, fashion show production, the evolution of fashion and retail and retail and fashion strategic planning, all of which have formed the core curriculum of the program.

"I like to try to open the students' eyes to the fashion industry to things they've never known or even been exposed to before," said Dandeo. "Some of the trips that I have been able to start since my time here are the Magic Trade Show in

Las Vegas, New York Fashion Week as well as Los Angeles Fashion Week, and I would like to start a few new trips by 2020."

At the testimony of Lynn students and faculty, Dandeo is a model professor that genuinely cares and does all in her power to allow her students to gain connections through networking opportunities. Michaela Mignone, senior fashion and retail student, looks up to Dandeo and her talents.

"Being involved in the fashion program has allowed me to make great connections with great people such as Dandeo. I have been able to learn a lot that have translated into my abilities now," said Mignone. "I'm looking forward to the future of Lynn fashion. I'm interested in what it will be like when I come back as an alumni and how it's only going to progress for the better."

As a professor whose dedication to her students has made milestones throughout the years, Dandeo's vision for the programs future, primarily meeting

the standards of Lynn's 2020 goals, are far from limited. This year's fashion production was successfully completed and Dandeo will not skip a beat as she plans for next year's fashion affairs.

"I see the future of the fashion program continuing to grow, continuing to get better and change with the time while still being able to offer cutting edge curriculum; giving the students a well rounded view of the fashion industry," said Dandeo.

While completely transforming a college program may not have originally been Dandeo's pursuits, it is clear the future of the fashion program will without a doubt be in trusted hands.



Above: Dandeo and fashion students preparing for the 2018 fashion show. Staff Photo/C. Kelly.

ADMISSION: EXPANDING YEAR BY YEAR

Increase In Applications Leads Lynn To Become A More Selective University

By **FRANCESCA DE NES**
Staff Writer

The Lynn Office of Admission is grounded in the initiative to align themselves upon the small and individualized atmosphere here at Lynn. By maintaining the concept for daily visits through individualized, one-on-one, tours there has been an influx in applicants, increasing admission records each year.

Kevin Studer, alumnus and campus visit experience assistant has been working in the Office of Admission since May of 2017. Studer works alongside Tierra Thompson, the senior assistant director for the Campus Visit Experience, in order to ensure that all the daily visits run smoothly.

The small class feel and the relationships with teachers is one the attributes of the Lynn atmosphere which they pride themselves on. The office of Admission works so hard on creating this same atmosphere and matching the potential student to a tour guide of their same major. They are placed based on where they are from or what extracurricular activities they are interested in. This ensures the student has an idea of what to expect and what life at Lynn is like.

"We are definitely becoming more selective about the students that are being brought in," said Studer. "The enrollment will probably increase but we do want to keep the small school

aspect. It is not like we want to grow to the point where we will have much larger classrooms because that is not the vibe that Lynn has ever had and that is not what we want. The admission process will be toughening which is great because we are going to have much stronger classes in the future."

"We try to match the student and the tour guide in the best way possible. If the potential student is an athlete, he or she will be paired with a Lynn athlete just so in that way they are going to learn what their life is going to be like here right from the start," Studer said.

Additionally, Admission uses the iPad initiative by "styling" or introducing prospective students to life at Lynn and their schedule for the day in a brief, but efficient manner.

"A word we like to use is that we are super 'individualized,'" said Thompson. "When you get here it is about you and you alone, so you are not trying to ask questions amongst 80 other people. You have your own tour guide, your own admission counselor and we are creating a very personal experience for each student and seeing our admission visits grow in general."

Lynn has become a model for academic innovation for other colleges through the diverse population and unique campus visits. The Office of Admission has been influential and a key factor in the

large influx in recent applications and representing the culture, style and atmosphere that Lynn offers.



Above: Through her position in the office of Admission, on campus, Thompson has contributed to the ongoing mission of expanding the University class sizes. LU Photos.

LEAVING A SOCIAL IMPACT

Leading Lab Into Future Of Environmental Efforts

By LOREANA LONIGRO
Staff Writer

The Social Impact Lab at Lynn has introduced service by connecting the university and the community through student-focused social impact, set to officially further its goals in its new location in the upcoming student center.

The Social Impact Lab is a key role in the university for both the Lynn 2020 plan and the recently announced Lynn 2025.

Serving as the latest program addition to Lynn, the Social Impact Lab is an initiative focused on establishing an environment of philanthropy. By germinating the perfect atmosphere for positive social impact and experiential learning, individuals within this program are given the opportunity to connect as young professionals and entrepreneurs on a global scale.

"We're bringing a whole new field of social impact to Lynn. We're not only going to be part of the movement, we're going to define it," said Jerry Hildebrand, director of the Social Impact Lab.

Opportunities offered by the Social Impact Lab include student internships inclusive to all majors, as well as global opportunities that provide experiential learning

through start-up and advanced sustainable businesses. The Lab provides both paid and volunteer experiential learning spaces for students to grow.

"We are here for students who want to make a positive difference in the world. The programs and courses that we offer are focused on giving individuals the agency to do work that truly matters," said Erina McWilliam Lopez, associate director of the Social Impact Lab.

As the student center nears its unveiling in 2019, the Lab continues to work with students, partnering up with local and global organizations. The third floor, designed specifically to promote social impact, will have spaces where students are encouraged to brainstorm, interact and be guided on sustainability and other projects.

The future plans of the Social Impact Lab will continue to expand as students, faculty, the community and the globe work together to activate the true power of social impact in Lynn students.

The team is currently located on the first floor of the International Business Center. Their Snyder Idea Lab is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., and students are welcome to come ask questions or join the team at any time. For more information on how to get involved, individuals can contact Director Hildebrand at ghildebrand@lynn.edu or Associate Director McWilliam-Lopez at EMcWilliamLopez@lynn.edu



Above: Hildebrand, director, and McWilliam-Lopez, associate director, have lain the foundation of the Social Impact Lab to succeed at Lynn. LU Photos.



Lynn celebrated its employees' contributions and service at the annual Employee Recognition Breakfast on May 1 in the midst of the Lynn 2025 launch. LU Photos.

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| GOLF @ National Championships | 5/17 | TBD |

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| TENNIS @ NCAA Regionals | 5/9 | TBD |
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Therapy Dog Thursday
5/10 @ 3:30 p.m. | Trinity Hall Lobby

Senior BBQ
5/10 @ 7 p.m. | Perper Clubhouse

Online, Graduate and Doctoral Commencement
5/11 @ 5:45 a.m. | Sports and Culture Center

Undergraduate Commencement Ceremony
5/12 @ 8:30 a.m. | Sports and Culture Center

Cheek To Cheek With Fascinating Rhythms
5/16 @ 7:30 p.m. | AG Theatre

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Debaters Julia Gordon and Chris Cohen won 4th place at the Trail's End Tournament at Broward College. LU Photo.

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GRADUATION EDITION



FASHION STUDENT CHOSEN AS COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER

Robinson Prepares To Address The Crowd
As A Fighting Knight

Looking back on her academic career, senior fashion student Ka Lynn Robinson has had a multitude of opportunities presented to her as a Lynn student. The Florida native is proud to say that she made the right choice in coming to Lynn.

Recently, Robinson was announced as today's graduation speaker. The student leader is both happy and humbled to be chosen to address her fellow classmates.

"It's a dream come true," said Robinson. "It's something I've always wanted to do and I'm so honored to be chosen to address my classmates in front of faculty, staff and family members."

When making the decision to attend Lynn as a freshman, Robinson was drawn in by all of the allure that Boca has to offer, but stayed for the learning environment and friendships that she formed and became accustomed to along the way.

"I chose Lynn because of the iPads, the food in the dining hall and the convenience of being so close to home," said Robinson. "The campus also pulled me in. It reminded me of the school in [the television show] Zoey 101."

Though she is a fashion student, Robinson also has an interest in business and marketing as well. She plans to try new things after graduation to find the right career path for herself.

"I will be interning at Office Depot's corporate office this summer and seeing if merchandising or marketing is the career path for me," said Robinson. "I will also be working on my blog to see where that goes."

When it comes to memories and advice for future Lynn students, Robinson says that the people who are more involved on campus will have more memories to look back on.

"Honestly, I am going to miss any memory that involved my friends, monopoly or a late night Checkers run," said Robinson. "My advice to incoming freshmen is to get involved as much as possible because it will change your entire experience for the better."

Robinson is happy she chose to be a Fighting Knight and is grateful for the impact coming to Lynn has made.

"Lynn has made the biggest impact on me in my life so far," said Robinson. "Coming here has gotten me out of my shell, gave me the space to grow and allowed me to find my passion."

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Matt Mazzamaro // Managing Editor



MATT MAZZAMARO TAKES A WALK DOWN MEMORY LANE

iPulse Managing Editor Looks Back

Three years ago, I have to admit that I never thought I would be sitting here writing this reflection. To be completely honest, I never thought I would even be involved in iPulse at all.

Coming into Lynn as a freshman as a communication and emerging media major, on track to graduate in the normal four years, my expectations were low. I was only trying to skate along under the radar and out of the public eye.

It was not until the end of my second semester when my resident assistant Victoria Alvarez, who also happened to be iPulse's editor-in-chief at the time, saw potential in me and pushed me along to help me reach it. My iPulse journey, and what I like to call my real college career, started during my second year.

I switched my major to multimedia journalism, joined the 3.0 program, changed my life and never looked back. From then on, I was surrounded by the constant support of Professor Stefanie Powers, as well as Professor Martin Phillips, and worked my way up from staff writing to the editorial team, gaining experience and learning from my mistakes each step of the way.

For me, iPulse was no longer just a publication that I saw printed all over campus. It became my responsibility and gave me a sense of pride in

all aspects of life. I finally belonged somewhere and I was able to express myself the way I knew best.

This publication not only helped me flourish as a student, journalist and individual, but it also helped me create connections and relationships with people that I never thought I needed.

Fast-forward to today, I would not change any of it for the world. These beautiful, wonderful people who were all once strangers to me are now some of my closest friends, and I can only thank iPulse for bringing us together.



Editorial Written By:
Matt Mazzamaro // Managing Editor

HOW iPULSE CHANGED MY LIFE FOR THE BETTER

The Newspaper That Transformed Me

After being a part of iPulse for four years, it is time for me to say goodbye to one of the best experiences I have ever had. Being in iPulse changed me in a lot of ways, more than I ever realized.

When I first arrived at Lynn as a freshman, I was a shy boy just out of high school who was unsure of what I wanted to be. During my first few weeks at Lynn, I discovered iPulse and immediately chose to become a writer for the publication.

Since joining iPulse, I have had the opportunity to learn skills I never knew I would need, meet and work with amazing people and grow as a human being. I was able to be in different positions that allowed me to flourish as a journalist. These positions also helped me in receiving different career opportunities, such as writing for the Miami Herald and Palm Beach Post.

I am thankful to iPulse, the editors, the faculty and the many opportunities I was awarded within and outside of journalism, as well as for making my whole college career all the worthwhile. I wish I could relive these past four years and experience working in iPulse over again, but I can only move forward and see where the future will take me.

In addition to iPulse, I will also miss the professors and friends that helped guide me to where I am today. I will cherish all the memories and knowledge they have given me to remember for the rest of my life upon my departure.

If I were speaking to future or current Lynn students, I would tell them to make the most out of their time here. I would encourage them to let this time guide them where they need and want to be.

I am no longer the shy boy from Coral Gables. Now, I am determined to make the best future possible.

Editorial Written By:
Brian Martin // Web Coordinator





STAR PLAYER SWINGS BIG

Dorrian Reflects On Time
With Lynn Athletics

Originally from Kingston, N.Y., Patrick Dorrian spent the last two years of his college baseball career playing shortstop for the Lynn baseball team.

Dorrian is graduating with a Bachelor of Science in sports management. Prior to Lynn, he attended Herkimer County Community College in New York, where he was a two-sport athlete in both baseball and basketball.

"My experience at Lynn was amazing," said Dorrian. "I made friendships with my teammates that I know will last a lifetime. Not only that, but I have learned so much from our coaches."

In 2017, Dorrian was a second team All-SSC selection and D2CCA Second Team All-Region star. Dorrian is a powerhouse hitter, leading the team in home runs, RBIs and extra base hits.

"Sticking with my approach and not pressing is what makes me successful at the plate. I'm just having fun and taking advantage of what the other

teams give me to hit," said Dorrian. During his time here, Dorrian was able to reach home plate safely in almost every game throughout the last two seasons. For him, the last two seasons have gone by in the blink of an eye.

"One message I have for the team is to enjoy every second that you have on the field with your teammates," said Dorrian. "It flies by and goes much quicker than you think."

As for his future plans, Dorrian will obtain his degree in sports management today and hopes to have the opportunity to play major league baseball.

Written By:
Alli Mancini // Assistant Editor

ATHLETIC CAREER ENDING, BUT LIFE JUST BEGINNING

Mariah Penascino Made Memories On And Off The Court



From Pittsburgh, Pa., Mariah Penascino started her women's basketball career as a transfer student from Mercyhurst University.

It was not until her junior year during the 2016-2017 season that Penascino stepped on the floor as a player for the Fighting Knights.

However, in 2015 she had the unique opportunity to experience the game she loves from a coach's perspective, as a manager for the men's team.

"It was a change of scenery that made me appreciate basketball more and appreciate the behind-the-scenes work that goes into preparation for practice and game days," said Penascino.

"Switching gears from being a manager to playing was a true blessing, and it made me more passionate about the game. I am grateful for Coach Price and Coach Huddleston for giving me

the chance to be a part of their teams."

As a student athlete, Penascino has many fond memories, both on and off the court.

"My favorite moment as a student athlete was definitely beating Eckerd on Coach Hudd's birthday," said Penascino. "She is an alumna of Eckerd, so securing that win on her

special day was a great feeling!"

"I am going to miss the college atmosphere and being a collegiate athlete," said Penascino. "The support we receive from the students, faculty and surrounding community is the reason why I love playing the game."

Following graduation, Penascino hopes to return to Lynn as a graduate assistant to pursue her master's degree and would love to someday coach.

Written By:
Matt Mazzamaro // Managing Editor

KATHERYN MILIAN: MORE THAN ANOTHER FACE IN THE CROWD

Senior Leaves Lasting Impact On Lynn Community

Katheryn Milian knew that once she stepped foot on campus, she would not just be another face in the crowd.

Graduating with a Bachelor of Arts in advertising and public relations and a minor in drama, Milian always made sure to be a part of campus life. Her involvement began in the leadership programs on campus, including being a member of Lynn Leadership Institute (LLI), serving as a student ambassador, peer mentor and resident assistant.

"I always say getting involved will allow you to get the most out of your Lynn experience," said Milian. "The more you're involved, the more opportunities that will come your way."

Milian also received the Shining Star Award two years-in-a-row, for her outstanding impact on campus, adding to her list of accomplishments. "Lynn has taught me that everything happens for a



reason," said Milian. "When one door closes, another will open if you just put yourself out there and show people your most authentic side."

After serving as the co-founder of Feminist Fridays, a community advisor for the Freiburger Residence

Hall and a current student worker for the library, Milian is happy to have had such an amazing time creating memories at Lynn with her friends.

"I've made so many amazing memories at Lynn that it is hard to pick just one," said Milian. "If I had to pick,

it would have to be the numerous game nights in my room."

Milian is grateful for what she has learned over the years and hopes to continue her success. Life after Lynn certainly holds many opportunities for her.

Written By:
Brittany Reeves // Assistant Editor

A TRUE FIGHTING KNIGHT EMBRACES LYNN CULTURE

Criminal Justice Major Flourishes On Campus



Originally from Wesley Chapel, Fla., Baylee Howe majored in criminal justice as a 3.0 student.

Howe knew as soon as she arrived on campus that criminal justice would help her strive as a leader. In just her sophomore year, Howe was inducted into the Alpha Phi Sigma criminal justice honor society.

Howe began getting involved on campus very early, serving as a peer leader for over a year. Soon after assuming that role, Housing and Residence Life saw potential in her and offered Howe a position as a community advisor. This is where Howe began to grow as a person and ultimately became the natural leader she is today.

"I highly recommend undergraduates to become involved on campus," said Howe. "Involvement helps students like me grow."

Howe was also a member of the Law and

Justice club for over three years, where she served as treasurer and president. There, she utilized her natural leadership skills to flourish.

After graduation, Howe will be returning to Lynn, where she will pursue her master's degree in business administration. Ultimately, she hopes to obtain a career in higher education, allowing her to further utilize her leadership skills.

In addition to this, Howe will again serve as a community advisor for Housing and Residence Life. She views this as her way of giving back, as it is how she established herself as a student.

As she says farewell to undergraduate studies, Howe recommends all Lynn students to come out of their shells, forcing them to grow and learn to adapt to new things.

Written By:
Dylan Klim // Copy Editor

LYNN SENIOR SUCCEEDS IN OFFICE OF ADMISSION

Student Ambassador Program Led Passafaro Down The Right Path

Graduating today with a Bachelor of Science in event management, Olivia Passafaro looks back on her four years at Lynn with nothing but gratitude.

The Lynn senior, originally from Boston, Mass., came to Lynn with the hopes of finding her home away from home. To her surprise, she found that home in the Office of Admission.

Before arriving at Lynn, Passafaro was a tour guide at her own high school. There, she would give tours to families and prospective students and tell them about her personal experience.

"When I came to Lynn and found out that Lynn had an ambassador program, I immediately knew I wanted to be involved because I loved doing it in high school," said Passafaro. "Ever since I walked in to apply, I knew that I was meant to work in that office."

Since that fateful day when she applied in her sophomore year, Passafaro has exceeded her own expectations through her work in becoming involved with the Lynn community and growing as an individual.

"The impact that the Office of Admission has made in my life is something I didn't think I would find during my time at Lynn," said Passafaro. "It truly has helped me grow not only into the student worker I wanted to become, but also into the person I wanted to become by showing me strengths I never

thought I had."

Passafaro believes that the position not only changed her overall experiences at Lynn, but it also prepared her for the future and what is to come.

"The Office of Admission prepared me for my future because they helped me find a passion I didn't know I had. They helped me find my career that I want to pursue – being an admission counselor," said Passafaro. "Every single person in that office not only brought a smile to my face, but they also taught me something and steered me down the right path."

Following graduation, Passafaro hopes to continue working in the Office of Admission while attaining a master's degree here at Lynn. By furthering her education, the hopeful graduate aims to work toward her career of becoming an admission counselor.

Written By:
Victoria Alvarez //
Graduate Support



FLORIDA NATIVE THRIVES ON ROUNDTABLE

KOR Brought Napier Into Student Advocacy Role

De'Laija Napier was born in south Florida and came to Lynn because it was close to home. Napier is graduating today with a Bachelor of Arts in public relations and advertising.

Since coming to Lynn, Napier has been an involved student on campus. She has spent time as a member of the drama department, a resident assistant and community advisor for Housing and Residence Life and currently serves as the Community Knight on the Knights of the Roundtable (KOR).

Napier believes that her time on KOR has had a large impact on her college experience.

"It has been an incredible honor to be a part of KOR," said Napier. "I love having the opportunity to be an advocate for not just my peers; but also graduate students and commuters too."

Throughout her time as a public relations and advertising major, she has gained support and guidance through her professors and opportunities that have been awarded to her.

"The PR program has been such an eye opener for me," said Napier. "It has allowed me to gain experience in the field and make valuable connections."

Throughout all of the opportunities she has taken on as a Fighting Knight, Napier will forever value joining KOR, becoming a resident assistant and meeting lifelong friends.



Written By:
David Czarlinsky // Copy Editor



Originally from Miami, Barry Harris studied graphic design as a part of Digital Media Arts Center learning programs.

Being a part of DMAC has led Harris to maximize his learning to the fullest. With smaller class sizes and practical lectures at Lynn, Harris was able to savor every piece of experience displayed by his professors.

“Due to the class structure and personal learning opportunities, I was able to squeeze out all the knowledge I could possibly get from my program,” said Harris.

As far as his design interest, Harris has always seen his collegiate career to be a simple stroke toward his larger goals and dreams. He has continually found himself to be a creative individual with virtually no limits regarding design.

Leaving DMAC, Harris’ impact will be felt greatest through his visual inspiration. His ability to create, influence and inspire has continued

to distinguish himself as a top-class individual and student.

“By the end of my career, I want to be one of those guys that develops something the world cannot live without,” said Harris.

On his way out of his undergraduate studies, Harris appreciates the environment that has been established at DMAC, a digital culture that allows individuals to prosper.

Much like the Lynn faculty on the main campus, he has seen firsthand the value in professors who care about their students’ ability to succeed.

While his journey at DMAC is coming to a close, Harris encourages his peers to stay true to the idea that “greatness grows where greatness gathers.”

Written By:
Shawn Johnson // Editor-in-Chief



EVAN MUSGRAVE: MUSIC PERFORMANCE AT ITS FINEST

Conservatory Graduate Finds His Song At Lynn

Graduating senior Evan Musgrave chose Lynn due to the environment and musical opportunities in the Conservatory of Music. Musgrave is receiving his degree in music performance on the double bass today.

Each year, Musgrave has been astounded by the number of performances that the Conservatory holds. Speaking to the personalized focus of Lynn, he feels these experiences are incredibly special, ones that would not be offered elsewhere.

"Of the many opportunities that have come out of our music program, one of my favorites has been the amazing repertoire performed yearly," said Musgrave.

In addition to his work with the Conservatory, Musgrave has built his communication skills and people skills as a resident assistant in the de Hoernle Residence Hall.

"Being this close to other students has really taught me people skills that I used to lack, which I have then been able to apply to my performances," said Musgrave. "The [resident assistant] position has allowed me to truly mature mentally and socially."

After serving as part of the Conservatory, Musgrave is walking across today's stage entirely debt-free.

"I am incredibly grateful for the full scholarship provided to me by the Conservatory," said Musgrave. "It is allowing me to focus more on my music and the direction I want to go with my life without having to worry about a massive amount of student debt."

This fall, Musgrave looks forward to returning to Lynn and pursuing his master's degree. All the while, the Conservatory grad will be a resident assistant once again in the upcoming academic year, furthering his impact in the community he has grown alongside.

Written By:
David Czarlinsky // Copy Editor



A BROTHERHOOD BOND FOR LIFE

SAE President Leaves Fraternity
With Impressive Achievements



Originally from Cali, Colombia, Diego Ruiz has left his mark in Lynn Greek life as part of Sigma Alpha Epsilon (SAE).

The sports business management major led the organization to great heights as president. Under his leadership, Lynn's brotherhood became an official SAE chapter. While at the helm, Ruiz also set the lofty standards that allowed the group to be named Student Organization of the Year in 2017.

"We achieved so much by setting our expectations high," said Ruiz. "We added traditions that had gone missing and introduced events that will make a difference on campus for years to come."

Individually, Ruiz has excelled as a Fighting Knight as well. During his undergraduate career, he was named the 2017 Male Student Leader of the Year while taking on multiple roles across campus.

As his Lynn career comes to a close, he identifies his greatest accomplishments to be the relationships he made with

his fraternity brothers. Through his executive roles as both president and vice president of SAE, Ruiz created lifelong bonds while making memories in the process.

While he is stepping out of fraternity life, Ruiz looks forward to seeing SAE's future leadership succeed. His greatest challenge for the upcoming trailblazers of the fraternity concerns membership.

"I hope that our organization exceeds the 40-member mark," said Ruiz. "We have hovered around 30 members, but I want us to continue to grow professionally and individually as brothers."

Now embarking on his life after college, he encourages his fellow brothers to live their own path and avoid following the norm. While his role in SAE has seen its last days, Ruiz will forever continue to observe, applaud and support his fraternity.



Written By:

Shawn Johnson // Editor-in-Chief



TRI SIGMA SISTER SAYS HER FINAL GOODBYES

Pineau Looks Forward After Sorority Life

Event management major Lauren Pineau used her last three years to find herself as a member of Sigma Sigma Sigma (Tri Sigma) and eventually the vice president of new member education in the sorority.

Originally from New Bedford, Mass., Pineau joined Lynn's chapter of Tri-Sigma in the spring of her freshman year, falling in love with the values of the organization. The sorority's five values are love, wisdom, power, hope and faith.

"Tri Sigma here at Lynn is the furthest thing from a typical sorority," said Pineau. "We wear letters and have crazy chants, but we focus on our values and serving our community."

When she took the position as vice president of new member education, she immediately loved it as it allowed her to interact and develop immediate relationships with brand new sisters. During her time, she was able to travel to Chicago and Nashville, leaving her memories to cherish for a lifetime.

"We recently had the opportunity to talk about the graduating sisters. There, so

many memories and laughs were shared around the room," said Pineau. "That was when I realized all the time and effort I put into Tri Sigma was worth it."

Pineau took advantage of every opportunity that Tri Sigma had to offer. Being a part of Tri-Sigma has given Pineau the opportunity to travel, take on leadership roles and participate in community service.

"We don't always realize how much we mean to each other, and we sometimes take each other for granted," said Pineau. "Without these sisters, I would not be the strong and empowered woman I am today."

Following today's graduation, Pineau plans to get involved in the catering aspect of the event management field.

Written By:
Alli Mancini // Assistant Editor



JAKE SWARTZ: CINEMATOGRAPHER ROLLS FINAL CREDITS AT LYNN

How A Film And TV Major Grew Both
Domestically and Internationally



Jake Swartz is graduating with a Bachelor of Arts in film and television after partaking in the 3.0 program. His plan upon graduation is to enter the film industry, primarily as a cinematographer.

Since coming to Lynn, Swartz has had the opportunity to become involved on campus through various clubs and jobs, such as the National Broadcasting Society and the Lynn Sports Network. As a film major, he has had

the opportunity to partake in numerous film projects to help his skills evolve, including a student film called "Fast & Loose" that was unveiled earlier this semester.

During his time at Lynn, he had the opportunity to travel abroad twice to further his growth as a filmmaker. His first trip came during the 2017

J-Term to Japan and again last semester to Australia.

While in Australia, Swartz attended Bond University which had an emphasis on teaching filmmaking.

"The school I went to was actually kind of difficult in terms of academics," said Swartz. "There was a huge wealth of knowledge there, specifically involving the

professors because they were professionals in the industry."

While he is bidding farewell to Lynn, Swartz has one piece of advice for both current and incoming students.

"Find exactly what it is you want to do and just go for it," said Swartz. "There are a lot of people that just waste their time and never actually go out to live their dreams."

Written By:
Brian Martin // Web Coordinator



THIS YEAR, COLLEGE SENIOR; NEXT YEAR, PRESCHOOL TEACHER

Lopp Prepares For Future With Education Program

Shayna Lopp was raised in Atlanta, Ga., where she found her passion for education. The early childhood education major chose the field because it has always had an influence in her life.

"My mom was a preschool director for ten years," said Lopp. "I love making connections with children because you can be the person that changes their life."

Since becoming a student in the Ross College of Education, Lopp has found that that the program has helped her thrive as a student.

"The education program at Lynn is very small, so the professors get to know you on a personal level and have seen me grow as a person and educator," said Lopp. "I have learned so much about what I can do in the classroom and tools that I can bring to schools."

The college has also opened doors for Lopp outside of the classroom. Throughout her time at Lynn, Lopp participated in the

international education honor society, Kappa Delta Pi. As part of the organization, she had the opportunity to listen to multiple speakers and raise money for several different education programs, which she feels will help her throughout her career as a teacher.

Following graduation, Lopp is excited to move onto the next step. In August, she will begin her career with a position at a preschool in Palm Beach Gardens.

"I'm looking forward to having my own classroom and forming the foundation knowledge for young children," said Lopp.

Written By:
David Czarlinsky // Copy Editor



THE SKY IS THE LIMIT

Aviation Management Major
Takes Off At Lynn



Originally from Goshen, Conn., Alec Foeller excelled in his career at Lynn, particularly in the skies as an aviation management major.

Foeller chose Lynn because of the university's diverse community and flourishing aviation program. Serving as a student ambassador as well, Foeller has been able to embrace the community through his love for flying.

"I have had a passion for flying my entire life," said Foeller. "While I have wanted to pursue an aviation management degree for a while now, Lynn's program definitely exceeded my expectations."

Foeller was an active member in the Lynn community, acknowledging his best experience at Lynn to be his time spent abroad in Ireland, where he was able to travel to different parts of Europe.

"My study abroad experience in Dublin was definitely memorable for me, to see parts of the world I hope to fly to one day," said Foeller. "Having the

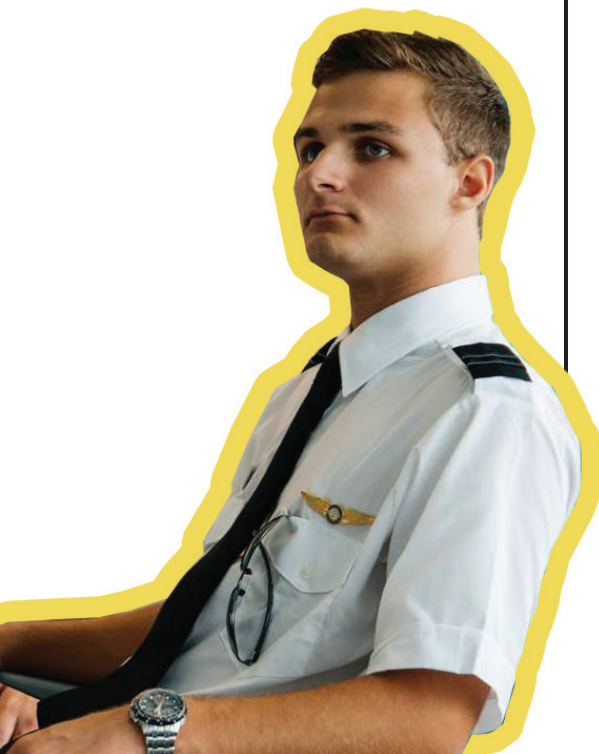
opportunity to travel all over Europe was something I will always remember."

While studying abroad in Ireland, Foeller also visited Italy, Spain and Paris. Apart from his time abroad, he was an ambassador for two-and-half years and has fully enjoyed this part of his Lynn experience to make his collegiate aviation career well-rounded.

"Being involved in aviation at Lynn has given me the opportunity to fly all over Florida and meet some extremely influential people at the Boca Raton Airport," said Foeller.

After graduation, Foeller plans to continue his studies in graduate school, studying finance and investment management at Lynn.

"Lynn's aviation program is an amazing experience that requires hard work and dedication," said Foeller. "In the end, it is all worth it. You won't regret it, just like I didn't."



Written By:
Kelly Marmo // Copy Editor

RESIDENT ASSISTANT FOUND HER HOME ON CAMPUS

Housing And Residence Life Gave Hollianne Sprowl
A Fighting Knight Family

Lynn was a no-brainer for Hollianne Sprowl, a marketing major from Massachusetts, who wanted to have an opportunity to see the sun every day.

"Lynn was actually my first choice for college," said Sprowl. "The palm trees, beaches and hammocks were where I was meant to be."

It comes as no surprise that her favorite part about Lynn was the community around her and the friends that she has made. As such, Sprowl has been a resident assistant (RA) for Housing and Residence Life for the last two years.

Both of her years serving in this capacity have been in the E.M. Lynn Residence Hall, where she has served as a role model to more than 75 residents throughout her time. When joining the office in August of 2016, her goal was to turn Lynn into a home away from home.

"I was able to watch my residents grow, all while taking the journey with them," said Sprowl. "Through Toy Story, Monsters Inc., The Proud Family, The Incredibles and even more wall decoration themes, I had the ability to transform a hallway of students into a family."

After graduation, Sprowl plans on staying in south Florida.

"I'm not sure where life will take me, but I do look forward to all of the adventures, surprises and twists the future will throw at me," said Sprowl.

Above all, the friendships Sprowl has made through her position as an RA have impacted her more than she could have imagined when she first stepped foot on campus.

Written By:
David Czarlinsky // Copy Editor



COMMUNICATION STUDENT TAKES CENTER STAGE

Senior Kaitlyn Frame Excels In Drama

Originally from Washington County, Pa., Kaitlyn Frame made sure to leave a mark throughout campus, whether it be on the stage of the Wold Performing Arts Center or throughout the College of Communication and Design.

Majoring in multimedia journalism with a minor in drama, Frame balanced classes and rehearsals while enrolled in the 3.0 program. Although she majored in Multimedia journalism, Frame believes that some of her best memories lie within the family she grew into in the Drama department here at Lynn.

"I've been involved with Lynn drama since my freshman year and I have enjoyed every minute of it. I have been able to meet so many amazing people, become close with my directors and professors and have even been lucky enough to travel abroad to Ireland to perform," said Frame.

Starring in countless shows, including the Café de Cave series and



Celebration of the Arts, Frame has been no stranger to the stage and plans to continue performing post-graduation.

"My whole life has been centered around performing," said Frame. "I am so happy that I've had so many opportunities at Lynn to continue my

passion for performing. Working with all the talented and supportive drama professors over these past three years has given me the confidence to continue performing after I graduate."

Frame is set to attend Lynn in the fall as a graduate student. Looking back

on the opportunities provided to her during her undergraduate career, Frame is eager to take a step into her future.

Whether her nose be in a book or her foot at the edge of a stage, Frame has a bright future ahead of her.

Written By:
Hadassa Delhomme // Editor-in-Chief



TRANSFER STUDENT TRIUMPHS

Cassidy Kruse Gained A
Lifetime Experience In
Two Years At Lynn

When Cassidy Kruse transferred to Lynn, she never envisioned the opportunities she would receive as a Fighting Knight. Originally from Ocean Township, N.J., Kruse began her journey at Lynn in the fall of 2016, majoring in advertising and public relations.

"Right from the start, Lynn offered me so many opportunities that allowed me to grow as a person even more than I could have ever imagined," said Kruse. "Lynn opened the door to so many connections in the area. I love how Lynn allows us to have experiential learning, instead of just reading from textbooks."

While at Lynn, Kruse served as the president of the Student Activities Board, presented at the Florida Communication Association annual conference and most notably served as a keynote speaker at the groundbreaking ceremony of the Christine E. Lynn University Center in the Fall of 2017.

"The experience I have gained in my two years at Lynn has allowed me to gain far more than a textbook would have. The opportunities awarded to me has prepared me for the future and I also have so much to add to my resume," said Kruse.

Although she did not begin her journey at Lynn, Kruse considers the university to be a forever home. She has ingrained herself within the campus through hard work and love for activism, making her a true Fighting Knight.

"Without the professors, friends and relationships I have made here, I would not be who I am today," said Kruse. "Transferring to a new school is always nerve-racking, but I am so grateful I chose Lynn."

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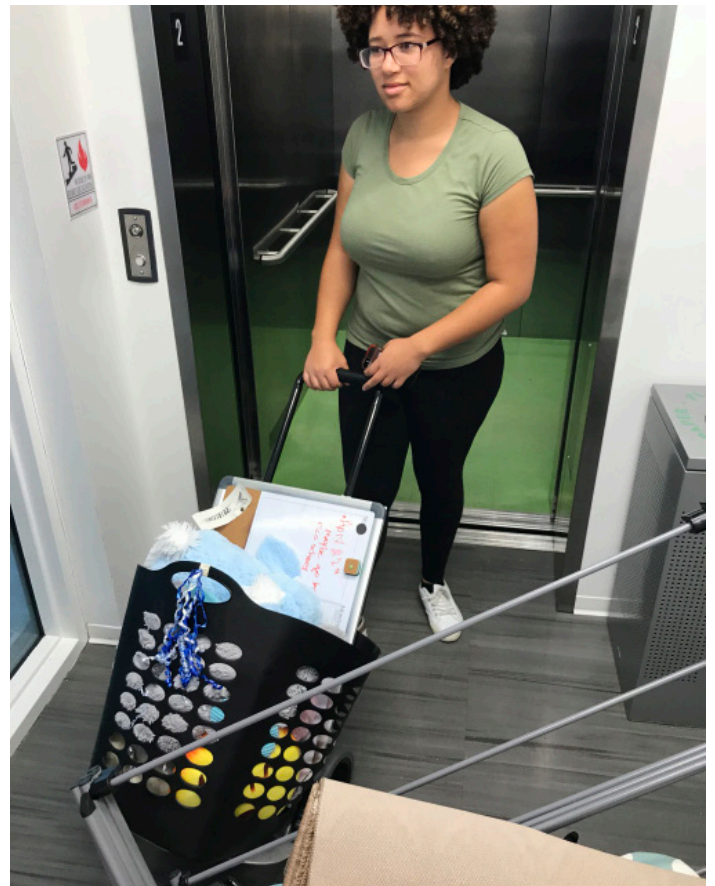
Above: Lynn's home grown band Wolfhawk recently played at Celebration of the Arts and before that at a secret show in Cuba. LU Photo.



THE GREAT MIGRATION

Summer Students Move To New Residence Halls

By JACK MEYERS and
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Above: Students pack up and move across campus to the Perper apartments for the summer semester . Staff Photos/ J. Meyers & A. Shitu

CRUISING AROUND CAMPUS

A More Efficient Means Of Short Distance Transportation

By WILL HOFFMAN, NATE RANDALL and ELIZA SINGERMAN
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Above: With the lack of foot traffic on campus for the summer, there is plenty of room on the sidewalks for longboards, which allow for more creative ways to get from point A to point B. Staff Photos/ W. Hoffman.

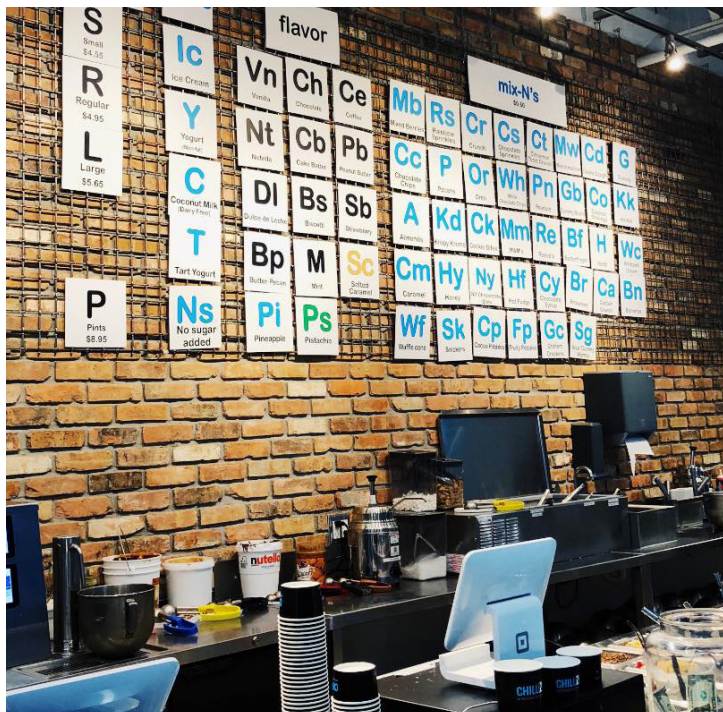


Above: Eliza Singerman hitches a ride on the back of a golf cart while Nate Randall cruises down the sidewalk. Staff Photos/ W. Hoffman.

SWEET TREATS TO BEAT THE HEAT

Chill Out With Nitrogen Ice Cream

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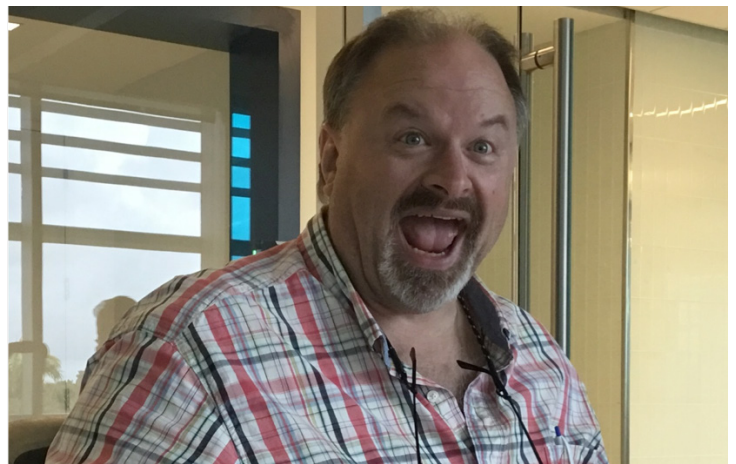


Above: Nitrogen Ice Cream is one of the latest food trends to come to Boca, and is sure to be a hit for the summer. Staff Photos/ P. Di Teodoro.

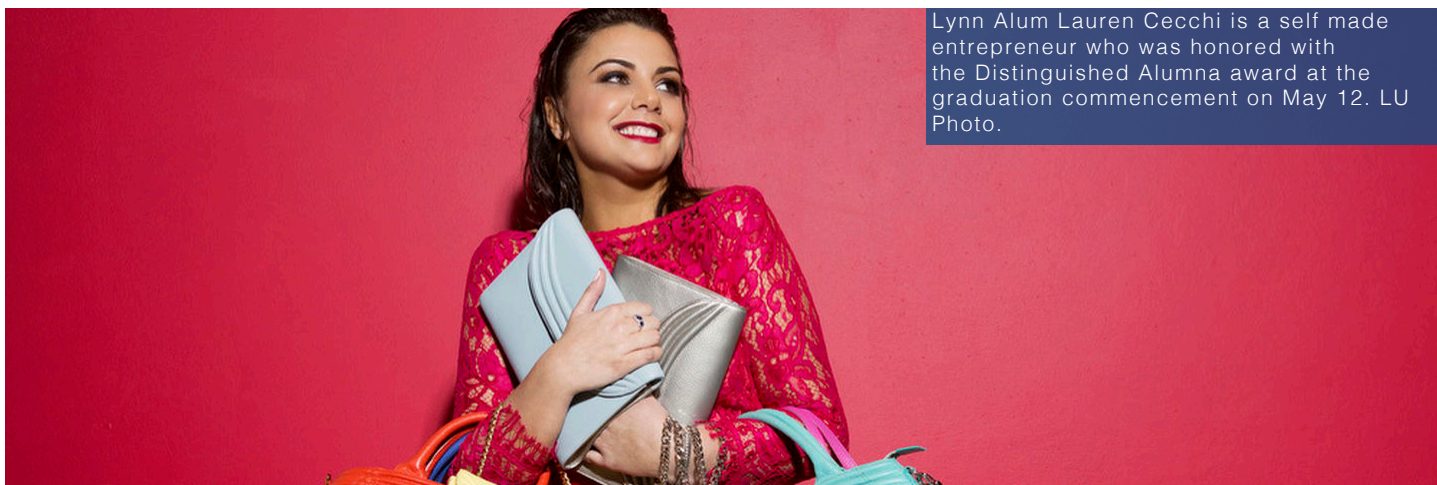
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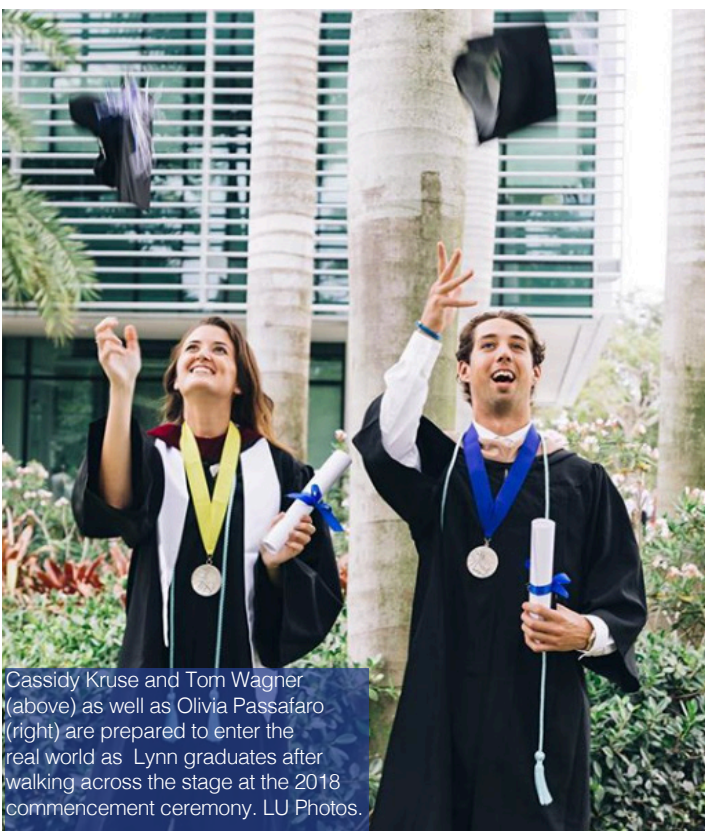
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Above: Professors Andy Hirst, Stephanie Jackson and Paul Gormely had photos taken before and after being asked how they felt about concluding grading for the semester. Staff Photos/ C. Gormely and A. Galarraga.



Lynn Alum Lauren Cecchi is a self made entrepreneur who was honored with the Distinguished Alumna award at the graduation commencement on May 12. LU Photo.



Cassidy Kruse and Tom Wagner (above) as well as Olivia Passafaro (right) are prepared to enter the real world as Lynn graduates after walking across the stage at the 2018 commencement ceremony. LU Photos.



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The baseball team recently honored Ari Cohen on his senior day. Ari is an honorary teammate who joined the Fighting Knights through Team Impact five years ago. LU Athletic Communications Photo.

